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SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

DECISION

STB Docket No. 42059

NORTHERN STATES POWER COMPANY  
MINNESOTA D/B/A XCEL ENERGY

v.

UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY

Decided: April 23, 2001

By a joint motion filed April 10, 2001, complainant Northern States Power Company Minnesota d/b/a Xcel Energy (NSP) and defendant Union Pacific Railroad Company (UP) jointly request that the procedural schedule in this proceeding be suspended to allow time to address outstanding discovery issues.<sup>1</sup> Following completion of their discussions, the parties will notify the Board, either jointly or separately, regarding an amended schedule.

The extension request is reasonable and will be granted.

It is ordered:

1. The procedural schedule is suspended pending notification by the parties, either jointly or separately, as regards reactivation of the schedule.
2. This decision is effective on its service date.

By the Board, Vernon A. Williams, Secretary.

Vernon A. Williams  
Secretary

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<sup>1</sup> By decision served March 9, 2001, the Board adopted the procedural schedule proposed by the parties. Under that schedule, discovery was proposed to be concluded by April 11, 2001, and opening statements filed with the Board by May 18, 2001.